

# **Minutes of the Board of Education Independent School District No. 630 Red Lake Falls, Minnesota**

The Board of Education held a regular board meeting in the high school media center on Wednesday, September 18, 2024.

**Members Present:** Mike Swendra, Linda Schultz, Andy Knott, Lacey Konickson, Josiah Hoefler, Beth Keller, Chris Cardinal, and ex officio Superintendent Guetter.

**Absent:** None

**Also in Attendance:** Principal Brad Kennett, Principal Chris Bjerklie, Aubrey Knott, Kayler Knott, Chris Nelson, and Amy Nelson.

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

## **Board Actions and Motions**

### **Agenda Approval**

Knott moved and Schultz seconded a motion to approve the agenda for Wednesday, September 18, 2024 as modified with the additions of Sub Pay for Teachers, Ending Employment, Resignation, Latchkey, and Athletic Split. Motion carried.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Hoefler moved and Cardinal seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2024 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

### **Financial Approval**

Hoefler moved and Cardinal seconded a motion to approve money transfers, total payroll and EFT transfers in the amount of \$390,220.31, the Treasurer's Report totaling \$2,376,176.54, the Student Activity Account balance of \$126,350.85, and payment of checks 76158 through 76292 totaling \$134,333.30 for claims properly submitted and approved by the board. Motion carried.

### **Proposed Levy**

Hoefler moved and Konickson seconded a motion to set the proposed 2024 Payable 2025 Levy at the maximum amount. Motion carried.

### **Work Agreement Extension**

Knott moved and Keller seconded a motion to approve Julie Beyer Buse's request to extend her work agreement until March 14, 2025 before retirement. Motion carried.

### **Substitute Teacher Pay Increase**

Cardinal moved and Schultz seconded a motion to increase substitute teacher pay from \$145 and add an increase to \$165 after 30 days of substitute teaching. Motion carried.

### **Employment Termination**

Schultz moved and Cardinal seconded a motion to end employment for Mina Turnbow effective Tuesday, September 10, 2024. Motion carried.

### **Basketball Coach Resignation**

Keller moved and Knott seconded a motion to accept the resignation of Marshall Mickelson as junior high basketball coach effective immediately. Motion carried.

### **Latchkey Wage Increase**

Hoefler moved and Cardinal seconded a motion to increase latchkey wages for Wendy Zenteno and Harmonee Buckolz to \$12.00 per hour. Motion carried.

### **Athletic Split Approval**

Schultz moved and Konickson seconded a motion to approve the athletic split with RLCC as presented. Motion carried.

## **Committee Reports**

An update was provided regarding the September 9, 2024 girls basketball meeting, including discussions about coaching, combining with the Rebels program, and the number of basketball players in Red Lake Falls.

## **Principal Reports**

**Principal Kennett Report:** Reported on the cell phone policy during homecoming week, two new foreign exchange students, the 10th grade Career Expo, and the Briana (Hagl) Smith VFW donation.

**Principal Bjerklie Report:** Reported on Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK), the Elsa scholarship, successful implementation of READ Act required training, the fourth grade River of Dreams program scheduled for September 27, a fourth grade canoe trip, and a field and track meet for grades 3-6 scheduled for October 4 with RLCC.

## **Superintendent Report**

Superintendent Guetter reported that student enrollment counts were up by four students, discussed MSHSL insurance, Long-Term Facilities Maintenance roof projects, Pam Page's retirement in December, Kayler Knott completing a master's degree, and the Safe Routes to School grant kickoff meeting.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

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Mike Swendra – Chairman

Linda Schultz – Clerk